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SUBJECT: KOREA IN THE 30TH UNGA

REF: A. YAOUNDE 3750; B. YAOUNDE 3728; C. STATE 259571

1. ACCOMPANIED BY DCM, I SAW MINISTER AT PRESIDENCY SENGAT KUO NOV 12 ON KOREA AND ANGOLA (SEPTTEL). TOLD HIM OF MY NOV 7 DEMARCHE TO FONMIN KEUTCHA (REF B), ON WHICH I ASSUMED HE HAD REPORT. VERY BRIEFLY MENTIONED A FEW MAJOR POINTS, AND ASKED WHETHER CAMDEL VOTE MEANT THAT IMPORTANT CHANGES HAD OCCURRED IN SITUATION (OF WHICH USG NOT AWARE) OR WHETHER GURC HAD ABANDONED ITS LONG-HELD POSITION OF NEUTRALITY. SUGGESTED IMPROVED VOTING STANCE TO EITHER ABSTAINING ON OR VOTING FOR BOTH RESES IN PLENARY.

2. SENGAT KUO REPLIED HE HAD BEEN ILL AND OUT OF YAOUNDE FOR SOME TIME AND HAD RETURNED TO OFFICE ONLY HALF HOUR PREVIOUSLY IN ORDER RECEIVE ME. SAID HE HAD REPORT FROM FONMIN OF MY NOV 7 DEMARCHE BUT HAD NOT YET HAD TIME READ IT CAREFULLY OR DIGEST IT. SIAD HE HAD BEEN AWAY DURING VISITS OF BOTH NORTH AND SOUTH KOREAN DELS AND DID NOT KNOW WHAT HAD HAPPENED. HE READILY ADMITTED HIS SURPRISE AT GURC VOTE AND, SPEAKING PERSONALLY, SAID IT APPEARED INDEED TO BE CONFIDENTIAL

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BASIC CHANGE FROM POSITION OF NEUTRALITY. HE PROMISED QUICKLY

LOOK INTO WHAT HAD HAPPENED AND BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH ME.

3. COMMENT: FONMIN KEUTCHA HAS BEEN OUT OF COUNTRY SINCE MONDAY ON APPARENTLY BRIEF MISSION. WHILE WE ARE NOT SANGUINE ABOUT GETTING TO SEE HIM AGAIN PRIOR TO UNGA PLENARY VOTE FOR HIS PROMISED RESPONSE, WE DO EXPECT THAT SENGAT KUO WILL FOLLOW THROUGH. HIS BAFFLEMENT APPEARED GENUINE. SPIRO

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